

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0016] (in the published application) with the following amended paragraph:

[0019] Drive shaft 16 extends upwardly through the driven member assembly which includes what is referred to as a head portion 24. A workpiece 26 is mounted on the extending end of drive shaft 16. In the embodiment shown, workpiece 26 includes a mounting arm 28 and a brushhead 30. A base part [[19]] of drive shaft 16 is connected by two flat spring members 32 and 34 to head portion 24. This arrangement results in the conversion of the side-to-side motion of the rear end of drive shaft 16 provided by electromagnetic driver 13 to an arcuate motion over a defined angle, e.g. 8-14.degree.. Such a structure is described in detail in pending U.S. patent application Ser. No. 10/137,962, owned by the assignee of the present invention, the contents of which are incorporated by reference. The arcuate action of drive shaft 16 results in a torque on the head portion 24 through the two spring members 32 and 34.

Please replace paragraph [0027] (in the published application) with the following amended paragraph:

[0027] The coupling structure also includes a registration arrangement to ensure that the two portions are coupled together in proper orientation. A non-symmetric arrangement of the joining assemblies would also accomplish an orientation function. The registration structure shown includes two opposed ear members 51, 53, both relatively thin, which extend upwardly from the periphery of the base portion. The ear members fit into mating spaces 55, 57 ~~between adjacent receiving elements~~. The ears and spaces are configured such that the two portions can fit together in only one arrangement and result in a more "automatic" or easy coupling of the two appliance portions.

Please replace paragraph [0028] (in the published application) with the following amended paragraph:

[0028] FIG. 4 shows the coupling structure of the present invention in a power shaver application, illustrating its usefulness in other appliances besides a power toothbrush. The shaver includes a body portion 50, which contains a driving assembly, such as a motor, therein. The motor drives three drive shafts 54-54, which fit into blade assemblies 56-56, positioned in a shaver head portion 58. Extending from an upper surface of appliance body 50 are three spaced friction pins 60-60 mounted around the periphery of the appliance body. Friction pins 60-60 extend into and mate with corresponding receiving openings 62-62 in the shaver head portion. Friction pins 60 engage the receiving openings 62, and the three drive shafts engage the individual blade assemblies 56. The combination of the three pins and their associated receiving openings prevent lost motion of the drive shaft and therefore minimize noise of the apparatus during operation.

Please replace paragraph [0029] (in the published application) with the following amended paragraph:

[0029] FIGS. 5, 6 and 7 show another embodiment of the present invention. The elements shown on those figures are for a power toothbrush, but other appliances can be used. In this embodiment, a cup-like portion 76 at the upper end of a handle portion 74 of a power appliance includes two separate rib portions 81 and 82 which extend radially outward from circular wall 83 of the cup portion 76. FIG. 6 shows cup wall 83 having a part 85 between ribs 81 and 82 removed (so there is an open space between the ribs), but alternatively, the cup wall 83 could be continuous, with ribs 81 and 82 extending radially outward from an outer surface 83a of wall 83.

Please replace paragraph [0030] (in the published application) with the following amended paragraph:

[0030] A head portion 87 of the appliance fits down over the cup portion 76, mating with the handle portion 74. Drive spring assembly 89 is positioned within

the cup portion of the handle as the head and handle mate together, with the drive spring 89 being driven by electromagnetic action from a drive unit within handle ~~[[79]]~~ 74.